



— State of —
North Dakota
Office of the Governor
John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
NORTH DAKOTA EMERGENCY
JULY 19, 2002, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

WHEREAS, a flood disaster exists within the state of North Dakota, based on initial assessment reports from state, tribal and local officials in northern and eastern North Dakota of flood damages that have occurred, and costs for prevention measures received by state emergency management officials; and

WHEREAS, flooding and high water tables have damaged transportation infrastructure, agricultural interests, public, tribal and private sewage and water systems, as well as significant other improved property, and has severely impacted agricultural interests; and

WHEREAS, the damages to public and tribal properties present a serious threat to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, potential agricultural and recreation industry losses, expenditures for damage repair, as well as other losses, will constitute a serious economic hardship throughout the entire state. This excessive precipitation has and will continue to significantly reduce yields for farmers; and

WHEREAS, a strong probability exists for the continued rise of Devils Lake floodwaters which will inundate cropland, livestock and wildlife feed stock, and continue to damage infrastructure in its path; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the North Dakota Disaster Act of 1985, as amended (Chapter 37.17.1, North Dakota Century Code), this proclamation, and the executive orders or regulations that may be issued to implement this proclamation to mitigate those losses resulting from the continuation of this flood disaster, shall have the force and effect of law.

Signed,
John Hoeven
Governor

Attested,
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State
By Cory G. Fong, Deputy